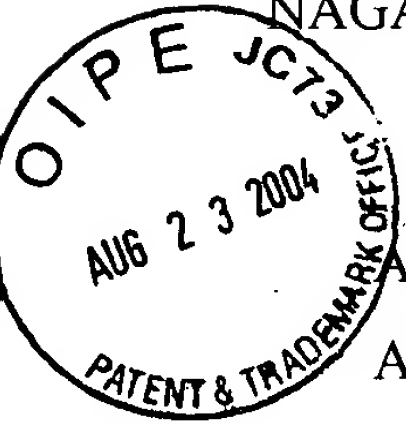


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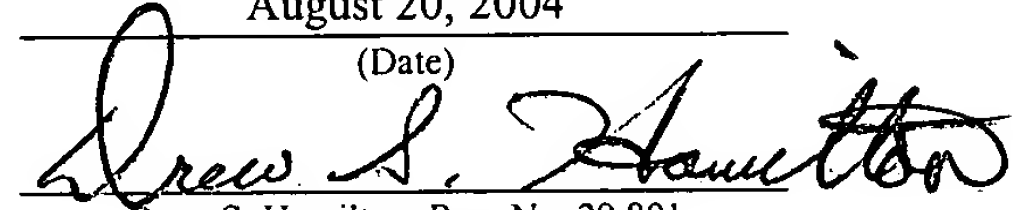
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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed May 20, 2003, in the above-identified patent application. A Petition for Revival of an Application for a Patent Abandoned Unintentionally Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b) and a Request for Continued Examination Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 are filed concurrently herewith. Accordingly, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.